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Our 1931 price list will be issued May 1st. Until then orders will be accepted at 10% discount off the prices shown in this Catalog.

MOHICAN PEONIES
1930







# We Grow Peonies Nothing Else



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# MOHICAN PEONY GARDENS

Gardens at Sinking Spring, Pa. Office at Reading, Pa.

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR ORDERING

USE THE ORDER BLANK—Write distinctly in the space provided for all necessary information.

REMITTANCE must be made payable to Mohican Peony Gardens and may be by check, bank draft, cash in registered letter or Express or Post Office Money Order on Reading, Pa. FOREIGN PATRONS must ascertain the correct amount of exchange and add it to their checks, or else remit by Postal Money Order or New York Bank Draft.

**DISCOUNT** is allowed only when full remittance accompanies order and in no case on the collections offered, according to the following schedule:

Orders	amounting	to\$ 15.00— 5%	off
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"	66	"	off
4.6	"	" 100.00—20%	off

We do not fill Orders for less than \$2.00

TERMS—Open account to those who furnish with order two or more satisfactory credit references. Attention is called to our liberal discounts allowed for remittance with order. (See above).

TRANSPORTATION by express collect or by prepaid parcel post; postage will be billed to customer. West of the Mississippi we recommend freight shipment for economy.

#### FINANCIAL REFERENCES:

Sinking Spring Bank, Sinking Spring, Pa. Pennsylvania Trust Company, Reading, Pa.

Do not forget to add Vigoro to your order blank if you wish it included in your shipment.

# To Mohican Peony Gardens Reading, Penna.

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Modeste Guerin—Awarded first prize in the Mohican Photograph Contest. Submitted by D. W. Morden, Killarney, Manitoba, Canada.



Claire Dubois—Awarded second prize in the Mohican Photograph Contest.
Submitted by Mrs. Arthur Bodine, Wellsboro, Pa.



GUARDING THE MOHICANS—Awarded third prize in the Mohican Photograph Contest. Submitted by Mrs. Elvoy Smith, Stamford, Conn.

#### PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

#### PLANTING SEASON

The fall season is the only season in which the Peony can successfully be transplanted. To move Peonies at any other season than the months of September, October and November means a setback from which the roots sometimes do not recover for two years. When we sell you peonies we want them to start right in to work for you from the beginning, without a setback through moving at the wrong season. We begin digging September 1st and continue to fill orders as late in the year as the ground remains open.

#### PEONY CULTURE

Our customers are naturally interested in the proper care of their peonies and to meet the need of a reliable guide we have for many years sent free with every order our now famous BOOK OF DON'TS which, we believe, contains all the advice needed to raise peonies. These few "Don'ts" added to the plant's natural inclination to grow regardless of conditions, make the peony a real delight. Mohican Peonies properly cared for will give you none of those unhappy garden disappointments: painful losses of labor and love or time and money.

Except to our customers the BOOK OF DON'TS is sold at ten cents per copy to cover part of the cost of printing and mailing.

#### FERTILIZER

Our desire to have Mohican Peonies prosper in your garden is almost as great as your own ambition for splendid results. Our interest in your garden can be served in no better way than for us to recommend the proper plant food. We have found VIGORO adaptable to any soil, supplying plants with every element necessary to vigorous growth.

Vigoro ordered from us is shipped with your Mohican Peony plants. Figure on half a pound per plant, bearing in mind that any surplus can be used to excellent advantage elsewhere in your garden. It is clean, odorless and easy to apply. Directions for use are in every package.

100-fb. bag, \$5.00 50-fb. bag, \$3.00 25-lb. bag, \$1.75 5-lb. pkg. \$ .50



WHY MOHICAN PEONIES are the best available.

Every variety on the Mohican list is beautiful, sturdy and free blooming; we carry no "dead wood."

We thoroughly "rouge" our fields each spring and KNOW that our varieties are true to name and we so guarantee them.

All roots that we ship have bloomed in our Gardens the preceding spring; a non-blooming plant is not shipped.

Mohican Peonies are only the finest varieties, true to name and in prime condition.



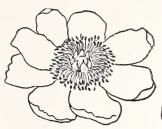
La Rosiere, Therese and Others—Awarded one of seven prizes in the Mohican Photograph Contest. Submitted by Roland E. Borhek, Tacoma, Wash.



MME. DE VERNEVILLE, ALICE DE JULVECOURT, M. JULES ELIE—Awarded one of seven prizes in the Mohican Photograph Contest. Submitted by Mrs. John O. Stevens, Rockland, Maine.

# Types of Bloom

Paeonia albiflora, or P. Chinensis, as it is more commonly catalogued, has by the American Peony Society been divided into seven types as follows:



SINGLE. Those with a single row of wide guards and a center of yellow pollenbearing stamens.

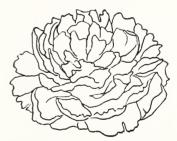


JAPANESE. These have wide guards the same as the Singles, but with the stamens and anthers greatly enlarged into narrow, thick petaloids of various colors, tipped with vestiges of the yellow anthers without pollen.

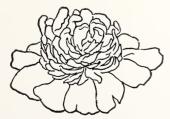
ANEMONE. This type is a step further in the process of doubling, with the stamens all transformed into short narrow petals, forming a round cushion in the center of the flower.



SEMI-DOUBLE. Those with several rows of wide petals and a center of stamens and partially transformed petaloids. Many of the reds are of this type.



DOUBLE. In these the process of doubling is completed, all stamens fully transformed into evenly arranged wide petaloids, similar to the guards, forming a perfect rose-shaped bloom.



CROWN. In this type wide petals are developed in the center of the flower, forming a high crown with the narrow, short petals forming a ring or collar around it. Often the crown and guards are one color, and the collar another or lighter shade.



BOMB. The next step is this type in which all the center petals are uniformly wide approaching the guards, but distinctly differentiated from them, forming a globe-shaped center without collar or crown.



# DESCRIPTIVE CHART AND PRICE LIST

Our divisions are always generous, three-to-five-eye or better; our one-year and two-year roots have been grown in our own fields from divisions made in 1929 and 1928 respectively. Where no price is shown under one-year and two-year roots after the name of any variety, we are shipping only divisions of that variety this year. For discounts on quantity orders, see page 2.

								Price	
Color	Fragrance	Season	Variety		Form	Vigor	2- $yr$ .	1- $yr$ .	Div.
Deep red		Early	Adolphe Rousseau	<b>J</b>	Semi-Double	XX.	\$2.25	\$1.90	\$1.50
Light pink	X	Late	Albert Crousse		Bomb	XX		1.25	1.00
Tricolor	X	Early-mid.	Alice De Julvecourt	3	Crown	XX			2.00
White		Late-mid.	Alsace Lorraine		Semi-Double	XX			2.00
White	X	Late-mid.	Avalanche (Albatre)	×i.	Crown	XX			1.00
White	XX	Midseason	Bayadere		Semi-Double	X			2.50
Deep red	X	Midseason	Benjamin Franklin		Double	XX		1.25	1.00
Red	• • •	Late	Berlioz		Double	XX			2.00
Maroon		Very Early	Cherry Hill		Double	X			3.00
Deep pink	X	Late	Claire Dubois		Double	XX	2.25	1.90	1.50
Deep pink		Very Early	Coquelin		Semi-Double	X.			1.00
Yellow & Whit		Late	Couronne D'Or		Semi-Double	XX	1.50	1.25	1.00
Yellow & Whit	e XX	Early	Duchesse De Nemours		Crown	XX.	1.15	.95	.75
White	X	Late-mid.	Duke of Wellington		Bomb	XX			1.50
Deep pink	XX	Very Early	Edulis Superba		Crown	XX	1.50	1.25	1.00
Light pink	XX	Late-mid.	Edwin C. Shaw		Double	X			15.00
Light pink	X	Late	Eugene Verdier		Crown	X	• • • •	• • • •	1.50
Light pink		Early-mid.	Eugenie Verdier		Double	XX	• • • •		1.00
Red	• • •	Late-mid.	Felix Crousse		Bomb	X	1.50	1.25	1.00
White	$\ddot{X}\ddot{X}$	Early	Festiva Maxima		Double	XX	1.15	.95	.75
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Light pink	X	Midseason	Floral Treasure		Double		1.15	.95	.75
Light pink	X	Midseason	Germaine Bigot		Crown	XX		1.00	1.00
Light pink	XX	Very Late	Grandiflora		Double	X X	1 17	1.90	1.50
Tricolor	X	Midseason	Jeanne D'Arc		Crown		1.15	.95	.75
Bright red	• • •	Midseason	Karl Rosenfield		Double	XX	2.25	1.90	1.50
White	XX	Midseason	Kelway's Glorious		Double	XX	• • • •	12.50	10.00
Light pink	XX	Midseason	Lady Alexandra Duff		Semi-Double	XX	3.00	2.50	2.00
White	X	Midseason	La Rosiere		Semi-Double	XX			1.00
White	X	Midseason	La Tendresse		Double	XX		1.25	1.00
Yellow	XX	Early-mid.	Laura Dessert		Anemone	X	7.50	6.25	5.00
White	XX	Early	Le Cygne		Double	XX	9.00	7.50	6.00
Light pink	XX	Late	Livingstone		Double	XX	1.15	.95	.75
Bright red	,	Midseason	Longfellow		Double	X			3.50
White	XX	Early	Mme. De Verneville	A	Bomb	X		.95	.75
Light pink	X	Midseason	Mme. Ducel		Bomb	XX			1.00
Light pink	XX	Late	Mme. Emile Galle	Λ·	Double	XX	1.15	.95	.75
Deep pink		Late-mid.	Mme. Geissler	4.	Double	XX	1.15	.95	.75
White	XX	Midseason	Marie Jacquin		Semi-Double	XX	2.25	1.90	1.50
Ivory White	XX	Late	Marie Lemoine		Double	XX	1.15	.95	.75
Deep pink	X	Late	Martha Bullock		Double	XX			5.00
Deep red	X	Midseason	Mary Brand		Double	XX		2.50	2.00
Ligĥt pink	X	Late	Milton Hill		Double	XX	4.50	3.75	3.00

# DESCRIPTIVE CHART

Color Deep pink Ivory White Light pink Deep red Red	Fragrance XX XX XX	Season Early Late-mid. Early Early-mid. Very Early	Variety Modeste Guerin Monsieur Dupont M. Jules Elie M. Martin Cahuzac Officinalis Rubra
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# AND PRICE LIST

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\$3.50 Each for 8-10"

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# Challenge Collection

gardens and cover the entire range of form, color and blooming season. Originally planned as a guide to those who know little about Peonies and have not the time to study catalogs, it has proven equally popular with those Our Challenge Collection represents our list in miniature; its twenty-five varieties are the cream of our

who know Peonies well and therefore recognize the choiceness of the varieties included.	,	
This Collection may be purchased as a whole at a saving of over one-third or it may be purchased in two	e purchase	d in two
different years by buying Collections No. 2 and No. 3 at almost as great a saving.	COLLECTIONS	SNC
ADDIABLE ROUSSEAU: dark, lustrous red, shaded maroon, showing yellow stamens; side blooms al- No. 1 No. 2 No. 3	1 No. 2	No. 3
ways single; tends toward semi-double; free-blooming and very long-stemmed.	×	
BERLIOZ: currant-red, tinted rose and amaranth with tips of petals fading to nearly white; beautiful		
and effective, compact double bloom.	X	
CLAIRE DUBOIS: bright, rose-pink tending toward manve, paling toward petal tips; the serrated		
edges of the closely incurved petals give a crisp look to the bloom: fairly long, heavy stems.		×
DUCHESSE DE NEMOURS: cupped, white guards with a center of light canary-yellow, deepening to		
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EDULIS SUPERBA: bright old-rose pink with a collar of lighter narrow petals; very free-blooming		

FESTIVA MĂXIMA: white with crimson flakes on a few central petals; large beautifully formed JEANNE D'ARC: pale pink guards, yellow collar and full, high center of delicate pink with occasional KARL ROSENFIELD: bright crimson without a trace of blue; outer petals large and waved; central blossoms; very free-blooming; very long, heavy, erect stems. with long, bending stems.

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LIVINGSTONE: old-rose-pink flaked on a lighter base; especially spicy fragrance; free-blooming white guards surrounding an incurved, blush-white center with crimpetals incurved and notched; very free-blooming, long, strong stems. son flecks; free-blooming, fairly long, bending stems. MADAME DE VERNEVILLE: and fairly long-stemmed.

MADAME EMILE GALLE: very light rose-pink deeper toward center; translucent texture; charming MADAME GEISSLER: old-rose-pink, brighter in center and tipped on the reverse with silver; an enordelicate flower; free-blooming, fairly long, erect stems.

mous flower, compactly built of many crinkled petals; fairly free-blooming, rather short, bending MARIE JACQUIN: white, semi-double, very pale pink on outer petals; large cluster of yellow stamens in center; beautiful water-lily shape; very free-blooming, fairly long, strong stems.

MARIE LEMOINE: lemon-white with a few crimson flecks; whole flower suffused with yellow from MILTON HILL: very light shell-pink with a luminous quality; a few red flecks on central petals: hidden stamens; large globe-shaped blossom; fairly free-blooming; short, strong stems. very free-blooming, fairly long, strong stems.

MODESTE GUERIN: deep tyrian pink of compact, bomb shape with brighter colored center; very

free-blooming, fairly long, very strong stems.

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MONSIEUR DUPONT: white with yellow glow from buried stamens and conspicuous crimson flecks on central petals; very free-blooming and long-stemmed.

MONSIEUR MARTIN CAHUZAC: maroon-crimson with a silky, black luster; loosely formed, straggly fairly long, erect stems.

PRIMEVERE: creamy white cupped guards with canary-yellow center of short, narrow petals; fades petals mixed with many stamens; the darkest and most picturesque of peonies; free-blooming; in full sunlight; free-blooming on very long, bending stems.

REINE HORTENSE: light, rose-pink with and silvered at the tips; occasional crimson flecks; very free-blooming and crisp, fluffy translucent petals, notched long-stemmed.

with occasional yellow anthers and a few red edges on central petals; unus-SARAH BERNHARDT: deep, rose-pink ually large, free-blooming on long, strong stems.

SOUV. DE L'EX. DE BORDEAUX: aster edges; full, very round bomb shape; very free-blooming; fairly long slender purple; tinged with silver on petal stems.

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ward the base and illumined by a yellow THERESE: enormous, long petals of pale, translucent, old-rose-pink, paling toglow in the depths; very free-blooming; long, strong stems.

TOURANGELLE: pale cream-white toning flower of irregularly placed petals; peonies; requires time for good develo flesh-pink in the center; a compact most delicate in appearance opment; long, bending stems.

UMBELLATA ROSEA: rose-pink guards surrounding a flesh-pink center; very early; blooms freely in clusters; long, strong stems. List price of Collection No. 1 .....\$37.75 of Collection No. 3 of Collection No. 2

Collection price of No. 1 ......\$25.00 of No. 3



#### Visitors Choice

These varieties are favorites with visitors to our Gardens.

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CLAIRE DUBOIS: bright, rose-pink; late, compact, double flower.

FESTIVA MAXIMA: pure white with crimson flecks; early; large, fluffy, double flower.

JEANNE D'ARC: midseason tricolor; delicate pink guards and center with yellow collar; small, bomb-type blossom.

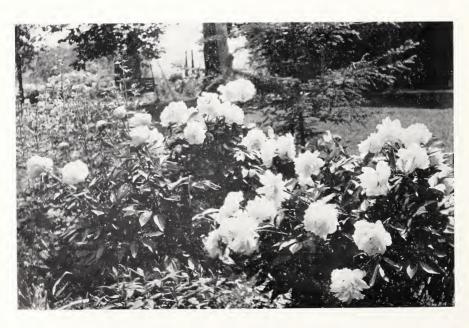
KARL ROSENFIELD: midseason crimson; double; a florists' favorite.

LIVINGSTONE: deep, old-rose-pink; late; very fragrant.

MADAME GEISSLER: deep, old-rose-pink; late midseason; very large and compact.

MARIE LEMOINE: lemon-white; late; large, compact, very fragrant flower.

List price \$6.75 Collection price 4.75



Festiva Maxima—Awarded one of seven prizes in the Mohican Photograph Contest. Submitted by Mary L. Brunner, Campbelltown, Penna.

#### The Dixie

Varieties especially adapted to a southern climate.

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KARL ROSENFIELD: midseason; crimson; double.

DUCHESSE DE NEMOURS: white with yellow center; early, crown type.

EDULIS SUPERBA: early; bright old-rose-pink; double.

FESTIVA MAXIMA: early; white with crimson flecks; double.

THERESE: midseason; pale rose-pink; large, fluffy double blossom.

UMBELLATA ROSEA: very early; light rose-pink; double.

List	price		 	 \$8.50
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EDULIS SUPERBA AND MME. DUCEL—Awarded one of seven prizes in the Mohican Photograph Contest. Submitted by H. E. Stabler, Williamsport, Penna.

#### The Sextet from Mohican

A luxury collection for the connoisseur.

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M. MARTIN CAHUZAC: early midseason; dark bronze-red; loosely-formed double.

BERLIOZ: late; currant-red; compact, double flower; true variety scarce.

CLIO: midseason; single; large petals of many shades of light pink surrounding a center of yellow stamens; true variety scarce.

ALBIFLORA (THE BRIDE): early; single; pure white; large, rounded petals with center of yellow stamens; greenish carpels.

PRIMEVERE: midseason; yellow; bomb-type with very large guards and high center.

THERESE: midseason; pale pink; large, fluffy blossom.



Albiflora—Awarded one of seven prizes in the Mohican Photograph Contest. Submitted by William G. Kent, Toronto, Canada.

#### Three Perfect Pinks

A charming group for the corner of your garden.

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MILTON HILL: late; light shell-pink, translucent, fluffy, double flower. THERESE; midseason; pale rose-pink; large, fluffy, double, with unusually long petals.

TOURANGELLE: late; pale, creamy flesh-pink; compact, double flower.

Collection price . . . . . . . . . . 6.50



Le Cygne—Awarded one of seven prizes in the Mohican Photograph Contest. Submitted by Mrs. Herbert L. Welch, Haines Landing, Maine.

## Mohican Junior

An amazingly inexpensive list for the beginner who wishes to try his luck without much risk.

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SOUVENIR DE L'EX. DE BORDEAUX: aster purple; midseason; bomb type. COURONNE D'OR: white illumined at center by yellow stamens; late; double. FLORAL TREASURE: light pink; midseason; full double.

JEANNE D'ARC: tricolor; midseason; small, bomb-type blossom.

FESTIVA MAXIMA: pure white; early: large, fluffy, double blossom. MADAME GEISSLER: deep, old-rose-pink; late midseason; compact, double blossom.

> Collection price . . . . . . . . . . 2.75







